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**COMMENT:** RE: Enforcement and Compliance History Online

Dear Ms. Kane:

Friends of the Earth strongly supports the creation of the Environmental Protection Agency's Enforcement and Compliance History Online (ECHO) website.

The ECHO website represents the best online resource for facility-based environmental compliance data. It will be an invaluable resource for communities and environmental justice organizations working to monitor and reduce the environmental impacts of facilities in their neighborhoods.

The site is well-laid out with key search functions available from the homepage. The "search by zip code/ city" function on the homepage that makes it easy to begin searches quickly.

Overall, the site is simple and easy to navigate, although it may not be immediately clear to users that one can cross reference fields through the Compliance Data (All Programs) search form.

However, the information provided is very helpful: providing the dates of the latest inspections to inform the broader compliance picture on particular facilities, and links to other EPA databases such as the Toxic Release Inventory also provides users with more context.

Congratulations on an excellent public resource.

Sincerely,

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